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Overpaid Claims

A recovery of funds is being performed for all Local Educational Agency (LEA) claims submitted using new national codes on or after July 1, 2006. LEA services billed with new national codes were inappropriately reimbursed at 100 percent – rather than 50 percent – of the Medi-Cal maximum allowable rate. The rates are listed in the right column of the *LEA Services Billing Codes Chart* in the manual section titled *Local Educational Agency (LEA) Billing Codes and Reimbursement Rates*.

Recovery: Initial Treatment Services with ‘Units’ Over One

A second recovery of funds will be performed for the following LEA services if reimbursement for the initial service exceeded the maximum allowable rate for 15 – 45 continuous minutes of service:

<u>CPT-4 Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
92507	Speech therapy and audiology treatment, individual
92508	Speech therapy treatment, group
96152	Psychology and counseling treatment, individual
96153	Psychology and counseling treatment, group
97110	Physical therapy and occupational therapy treatment, individual

This recovery of funds is being performed because the claims processing system inappropriately reimbursed two or three times the initial service maximum allowable rate for these codes when two or three units were billed.

Erroneous Payment Correction

An Erroneous Payment Correction (EPC) letter explaining these reductions will be sent to affected providers.

Background

LEAs are reimbursed in part by federal funds and in part by Medi-Cal funds. The reimbursement rates fluctuate in tandem with adjustments to the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP).

Information related to this article is reflected on manual replacement page loc ed bil cd 1 (Part 2).

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*California Children's
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